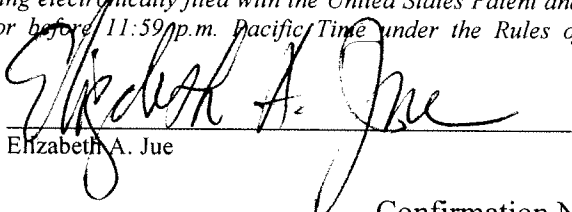


**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
FROM THE OFFICE ACTION**

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Applicant : Dong, Blake Ming Qi  
Application No. : 09/944,534  
Filed : August 31, 2001  
Title : A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR THE CONTROL AND  
DISTRIBUTION OF VALUE BEARING ITEMS IN A PC POSTAGE  
SYSTEM

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Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the Office action dated June 30, 2008 for one month(s) from September 30, 2008 to October 30, 2008.

The fee for extension of time required by 37 CFR § 1.17 is calculated below.

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LENGTH OF EXTENSION	SMALL ENTITY	LARGE ENTITY	FEE
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WITHIN THIRD MONTH	\$ 555.00	\$1,110.00	\$
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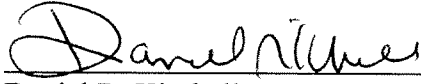
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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